METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

BANDWIDTH MANAGEMENT

ASSOCIATED WITH MISBEHAVING SESSIONS

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Abstract of the Disclosure

In a system for multiplexing a plurality of data streams, such as MPEG data streams, a data stream may exceed its maximum data rate. Each of the data streams includes a plurality of packets identified by packet identifiers that are multiplexed and the multiplexed data stream is transmitted through the system. When a data stream exceeds its maximum data rate, packets, corresponding to a predetermined packet identifier, are dropped from that data stream, thereby not transmitting the dropped packets within the multiplexed data stream.